

January 12, 2021

Another week is here! Does anyone else feel wiped out the first week when you return from a week off? For some reason I feel like I'm pulling myself through some Payne County CLAY soil! So thank goodness it's now week 2 after the break—and no excuses are left for me to use. I do have a few things that might make you go hmmmm.....

1. Have you ever wondered what is REALLY meant by **FAKE news** or media? Well, I have! As I was looking through educational resources, I found this article on how to teach students what is REAL. [Is it fake? How to teach with news and media sources \(eschoolnews.com\)](https://eschoolnews.com/2021/01/12/is-it-fake-how-to-teach-with-news-and-media-sources/)
2. The next **Long Term Care Train the Trainer workshop** will be held on Wednesday, February 3 beginning at 8:30am. It will be a virtual meeting and once you've signed up, Eventbrite will send you the confirmation and Zoom information for log in. This meeting is held three times per year to meet requirements of Chapter 677 in Oklahoma State Law. We recommend you attend every two years and save your certificate of attendance with your Long Term Care "book" for site review.
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/long-term-care-nurse-aide-instructorcoordinator-workshop-virtual-tickets-136304692003>
3. **Continuing Teacher Academy** (new and not so new teachers) will be held on January 28, 2021. The training will be FREE and virtual, but we need you to register if you haven't already! And agenda can also be found on this website: [Teacher Academy — CareerTech \(CT\) - okcareertech.org](https://okcareertech.org/)
4. I love to read and can't believe that I haven't read these.....but you can bet my Audible subscription and I will be checking these **Eight Great Teacher Memoirs Every Educator Should Read: 8 Great Teacher Memoirs Every Educator Should Read | Educational Technology and Mobile Learning (educatorstechnology.com)** I'm not sure why but I think the title "Holler If You Hear Me" best explains my personal teaching experience!
5. Last Wednesday was tumultuous day at the US Capitol Building, and for most Americans, we saw something that had never happened in our lifetime. Regardless of personal opinion, eSchool News has put together a list of resources that can be used as ways to discuss the events, but also to use the information to teach tolerance and avoid insurrection in the future. The link offers seven resources, one of which is a tool to teach the critical evaluation of news and media resources, just like item #1 in today's Did You Know. [7 resources to teach students about the insurrection at the U.S. Capitol \(eschoolnews.com\)](https://eschoolnews.com/2021/01/12/7-resources-to-teach-students-about-the-insurrection-at-the-u-s-capitol/)
6. **Anatomy and Physiology standards** were drafted and cross-walked to the National Health Science Standards and the Next Generation Science Standards. They were sent out last week, hoping that those of you who teach A & P might want to give us your opinion AND identify what activities you use to teach each concept. Let me know if you'd like them re-sent to you.
7. Access to summer conference??
8. **Webinar Wednesday** is coming this week!!! Join us for upcoming webinars sponsored by NCHSE & HSEA: <https://www.healthscienceconsortium.org/events/>

Date and Time: Wednesday, January 13, 4:00 PM (Eastern Time)

Register: <https://bit.ly/2K7CjXg>

Webinar: Lead4Change Student Leadership Program - Where Students Make BIG Things Happen!

Description: Looking for ways to engage your students in collaborative, project based learning? Lead4Change Student Leadership Program is a leadership curriculum with a framework for community service. The free, standards-based program will immerse your students in real-world learning that will strengthen their leadership skills while making an impact on their community. We will show you how Lead4Change is aligned to the National Health Science Standards and how to use the program in your health science classes.

Presenters: Christina Culver, an educator for 12 years, is in her third year with Lead4Change. Danielle Gadharf, an educator for 9 years, is in her first year with Lead4Change.

9. **Nurse Refresher Revision is HERE!!!** LPN and RN students who either let their license lapse or never passed the NCLEX and need a refresher course will now have a streamlined version! Effective January 15, 2021 changes are designed to incorporate competency-based progress through the program and are consistent with new regulations from the Oklahoma Board of Nursing.

As a result of these changes, the program now consists of:

- Competency-based didactic through the OU College of Nursing online learning program. This includes a competency-based evaluation of content with remediation and retesting on areas needing development.
- Skills checkoffs, based on [Oklahoma Board of Nursing](#) identified skills, are conducted at approved Career Tech locations and are included as clinical experience hours.
- Competency-based clinical experience component, with competency validation possible in as little as 40 hours.

Clinical experience competency validation now includes two options:

- Online simulation and competency assessment in which student may do their required clinical experience hours entirely online provided competency can be demonstrated.
 - For students requiring additional clinical experiences to validate competency, clinical experiences in patient care settings are available. These experiences could result in additional expenses and the individual Career Tech location will provide details on the below expenses.
 - Background check fees
 - Health screening fees
 - Drug and alcohol screening fees
 - Career Tech fees for clinical supervision and support
 - New pricing structure: \$2000 – includes the Nurse Refresher course and access to the online clinical simulation program.
10. Interested in hearing how “**mixed reality**” is being utilized at Case Western Reserve Univ. for medical education, using a HoloLens device. Webinar sounds interesting!! Tuesday, January 26, 2021, 1pm CST [Transform remote medical learning with mixed reality: A case study \(microsoft.com\)](#)

11. On Sunday, I was made aware that one of our longtime program specialists, **Ruth Eckenstein** lost her husband suddenly on January 2, 2021. If you have taught more than 10 years, you will remember Ruth. We wish her comfort in this time of loss. [Obituary | Edward Eckenstein | Mercer-Adams Funeral Service \(mercer-adams.com\)](#)

And with that note, I want to let each of you know that we understand many are going through terrible pain during this pandemic. As teachers, you need to make sure to take care of yourself. I was a single woman for a very long time, I learned that the only one who WILL take care of you is YOU. We are grateful for how you've stayed constant for your students, even amid sometimes personal stress and loss. And we want to be here for you as well. If there is something that we could do in five minutes that would help you save hours, let us know! Maybe it's coming up with a lesson plan that will free you from one day of planning, or digging through resources to teach a concept.

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